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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

February 21, 2008

Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

The Joint Conference Committee comprised of Sens. Peter C. Knudson, Allen M. Christensen, and Gene Davis, and Reps. Ronda Rudd Menlove, John Dougall, and Christine A. Johnson, recommends **2nd Sub. H.B. 47**, STANDARDS FOR ELECTRONIC EXCHANGE OF CLINICAL HEALTH INFORMATION, by Representative R. Menlove, with the following amendments:

- 1. Include the Senate committee amendment on Page 3, Line 83, of the Goldenrod copy dated 2-7-2008.
- 2. Also include the following amendments:
 - 1. Page 1, Lines 19 through 21:
 - 19 requires the department to report to the Legislature's Health and Human Services
 - 20 Interim Committee concerning the adoption of the standards for the { secure }
 - 21 electronic exchange of clinical health information; and
 - 2. Page 3, Lines 76 through 80 Senate Committee Amendments 2-7-2008:
 - 76 (3) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(b), a health care provider or third party
 - payer in Utah is required to use the standards adopted by the department under the provisions
 - of Subsection (2) if the health care provider or third party payer elects to engage in an
 - 79 electronic exchange of clinical health information with another health care

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provider { or third party

80 payer { , or health care recipient } .

- 3. Page 4, Lines 88 through 93:
 - 88 (5) The department shall report on the use of the standards for the electronic exchange
 - 89 <u>of clinical health information to the legislative Health and Human Services Interim</u> Committee
 - 90 <u>no later than October 15, 2008 and no later than every October 15th thereafter. The report shall</u>
 - 91 <u>include publicly available information concerning the costs and savings for the department,</u>
 - 92 <u>third party payers, and health care providers associated with the standards for the</u>

 { secure }
 - 93 electronic exchange of clinical health records.
- 4. Page 4, Lines 108 through 118:
 - 108 (iii) The commissioner shall coordinate the administrative rules adopted under the
 - provisions of this section with the administrative rules adopted by the Department of Health for
 - the implementation of the standards for the health { secure } electronic exchange of clinical
 - information under Section 26-1-37. The department shall establish procedures for developing
 - the rules adopted under this section, which ensure that the Department of Health is given the
 - opportunity to comment on proposed rules.
 - (b) The commissioner shall regulate any fees charged by insurers to the providers for:



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115 (i) uniform claim forms [or]; 116 (ii) electronic billing[:]; or

117 (iii) the {-secure} electronic exchange of clinical health information permitted by Section

118 <u>26-1-37.</u>

Respectfully,

Sen. Peter C. Knudson Senate Chair, Conference Committee

Rep. Ronda Rudd Menlove House Chair, Conference Committee

Voting: 6-0-0

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